

REMARKS

As will be noted, claim 13 has been added to the present application to provide a claim which is more commensurate in scope with the Applicants' inventive contribution. Also, in view of the comments made on page 4 of the Opinion rendered by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, the Applicants are intending to submit a Declaration under 37 CFR 1.132 which contains evidence which is commensurate in scope with the claimed invention and as such provides comparative testing of the present invention with respect to the closest prior art.

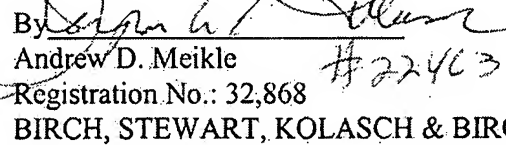
The Declaration will be filed supplemental to the filing of this RCE application. To provide sufficient time for preparing the Declaration, the Applicants are requesting a three (3) month suspension in the prosecution of the RCE application.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Joseph A. Kolasch Reg. No. 22,463 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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